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- $\underline{\mathbf{1}}$ 1. (C) The Embassy delivered reftel demarche to Ministry of Foreign Affairs Security Affairs desk officer Hikmet Hajiyev on September 24. Hajiyev said he would forward the invitation for the September 26 NATO Training Mission-Iraq (NTM-I) conference to the Azerbaijani mission to NATO. Hajiyev was optimistic that an Azerbaijani representative would attend the conference, but he had no comment on whether Azerbaijan would consider contributions to NTM-I.
- 12. (C) The Defense Attache Office Baku also delivered reftel demarche to Ministry of Defense, Major General Ramiz Najafov, on September 23, 2008. Najafov did not comment on the message, but he did ask whether a diplomatic letter would also be sent to Ministry of Defense stating the request. **DERSE**